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Response to Amendment

1. The reply filed on 2/25/00 is not fully responsive to the prior Office action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s):

•It is noted that applicant has not provided arguments for the rejected claims that have not been indicated as allowable.

•It is also noted that on page 5 of applicant's response received on 2/25/00, in the second paragraph of the remarks, applicant sates that new claims 50-54 have been added. However, only new claims 50-52 have been submitted in the amendment to the claims.

•It is further noted that on page 1 of applicant's response claims 30-35 and 43, have been requested to be amended and on page 3 applicant requests that claims 33 and 43 be canceled.

2.. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given a TIME PERIOD of **ONE** (1) **MONTH or THIRTY** (30) **DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Dan Colilla whose telephone number is (703) 308-2259. The examiner can normally be reached M-F, 8:30-5:30. The fax number for this art unit is (703) 308-5841.

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May 16, 2000

Examiner Dan Colilla